



# News Release

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## State disciplines health care providers

**OLYMPIA** — The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency website. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the [Department of Health home page](http://www.doh.wa.gov) (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

## Benton County

In November 2011 the Chiropractic Commission placed the license of chiropractor **Scott Kelly Akridge** (CH00001581) on probation for 18 months. The codes he used when billing patients' insurance didn't match his corresponding daily chart notes. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

## Clark County

In November 2011 the Board of Physical Therapy reinstated the license of physical therapist **Gary J. Maguire** (PT00005702) and placed conditions against his license with which he must comply.

## King County

In November 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program amended the statement of charges against certified nursing assistant **Sopheap Chea** (NC10095857). She allegedly took three checks from a patient, filled them out, and attempted to cash the checks to herself. She was convicted of theft.

In November 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program reinstated the certification of certified nursing assistant **Elizabeth M. Gichuki** (NC10084369). She must comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

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In November 2011 the Nursing Commission released licensed practical nurse **James R. Jovick** (LP00040424) from terms and conditions set against his license.

In November 2011 the Unlicensed Practice Program issued a notice of intent to issue cease and desist order to **Nuegruethan Koyrong-Phan**. She allegedly provides massage treatments to clients without a valid license to do so.

In November 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Antonia P. Orate** (NA00043844) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly failed to report sexual misconduct of a resident in her adult family home.

In November 2011 the Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System Program terminated the probation order against emergency medical technician **Alexander N. Sneed** (ES60132795).

### **Mason County**

In November 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program reinstated the certification of certified nursing assistant **Crystal K. Medina** (NC10096656). She is also known as Crystal K. Hardie.

### **Pierce County**

In November 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program terminated the order of probation against registered nursing assistant **Eileen D. Anderson** (NA60115441).

In November 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Jane Wangari Karuri** (NA60058175) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly submitted a fraudulent Social Security number on her application to become certified as a nursing assistant.

In November 2011 the Board of Pharmacy charged pharmacist and pharmacist preceptor **Ann M. Mauritz** (PH00063242, PH60009136) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly failed to comply with terms and conditions set against her licenses.

In November 2011, after a hearing, the Nursing Assistant Program granted the application of certified nursing assistant **Donna Hoyt Mulcare** (NC60195125) and placed conditions against her certification with which she must comply. She was convicted of driving under the influence on two occasions.

In November 2011 the Health Care Assistant Program amended the statement of charges against **Jennifer J. Sterling** (HC00154061). She entered into a two-year deferred sentence for unlawful solicitation to possess a controlled substance.

In November 2011 the Nursing Commission charged licensed practical nurse **Kenya M. Stewart** (LP00051568) with unprofessional conduct. She was convicted of seven counts of identity theft.

### **Skagit County**

In November 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program terminated the probation order against chemical dependency professional trainee **Alette R. Ford** (CO60149090).

In November 2011 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Donna J. Ketcham** (RN00113118) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly diverted medication for her own use and tested positive for hydrocodone and morphine during a drug screen.

### **Snohomish County**

In November 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Nicole Marie Cromwell** (CO60244009) and placed her certification on probation for one year. She was convicted of possession of a controlled substance — methamphetamine, unlawful possession of payment instrument, malicious mischief, three counts of theft, and residential burglary. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her certification.

### **Spokane County**

In November 2011, after a hearing, the Nursing Assistant Program placed the registration of **Alana Jane Barry** (NA60120658) on probation for two years. She took oxycontin and hydrocodone, and used marijuana with a patient. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

In November 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program granted the application of registered nursing assistant **Kaila Marie Bonin** (NA60191340) and placed her registration on probation until June 30, 2012. She entered into a continuance for the charge of theft. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

In November 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program terminated the probation order against chemical dependency professional trainee **Carmen S. Fowler** (CO60128227).

In November 2011 the Licensed Mental Health Counselor and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Programs placed the licenses of **Darlene Anne Townsend** (LH00006395, LF00001054) on probation for one year. A Superior Court verdict found that she breached the standard of care with respect to two clients. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her licenses.

### **Thurston County**

In November 2011 the Mental Health Counselor Program released licensed mental health counselor **Mary C. Denning** (LH60215422) from terms and conditions set against her license.

In November 2011 the Nursing Commission charged licensed practical nurse **Randal M. Eddy** (LP00045228) with unprofessional conduct. He was convicted of manufacturing a controlled substance — marijuana.

## **Walla Walla County**

In November 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Martha Herrera** (NA00091893) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly neglected and mistreated patients, and failed to notify medical personnel or transport patients for medical treatment after the patients fell and sustained injury.

## **Out of State**

**California:** In November 2011 the Nursing Commission reinstated the license of registered nurse **Paul A. Casey** (RN00112183) and placed his license on probation for 60 months. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

**Minnesota:** In November 2011 the Medical Commission terminated the probation order against physician **Valerie L. Fox** (MD00045743). Dr. Fox's license is unrestricted in Washington.

**Ohio:** In November 2011 the Nursing Commission entered into an agreed order with registered nurse **Ashley Marie Johnson** (RN60054954). Her license to practice as a registered nurse in Ohio was suspended indefinitely and placed on stayed suspension. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

**Oregon:** In November 2011 the Licensed Mental Health Counselor and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Programs terminated the probation order against **Dorothy Doeblor** (LH00003720, LF00001213).

**Note to Editors:** Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

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